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- 1. IN RESPONSE TO INFO REFTEL, MRS. DWIVEDI EMPHASIZED JANUARY 27 THAT SHE WILL SEND MONEY ONLY IN RESPONSE TO DIRECTION FROM HER HUSBAND, AND THEN TO HIS ACCOUNT IN NEW DELHI, AS HAS BEEN THEIR PRACTICE. SHE STATED THAT CONTRARY TO LAHOTY'S APPARENT ASSUMPTION, SHE IS NOT A WELL-TO-DO PERSON AND HAS AVAILABLE ONLY 1500 DOLS OF SAVING TO USE FOR HER HUSBAND'S DEFENSE.
- 2. MRS. DWIVEDI WAS RELUCTANT TO COMMIT THE BULK OF HER FUNDS TO A BAIL DEPOSIT WHICH COULD BE TIED UP FOR A LONG TIME WITHOUT GUARANTEEING HER HUSBAND'S RELEASE. IN THIS CONNECTION, SHE COULD NOT UNDERSTAND WHY THE NEW DELHI BAIL HAS TO BE PAID BEFORE LAHOTY CAN ARGUE FOR BETTER TREATMENT IN THE PATNA JAIL.

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3. TO RECAPITULATE: MRS. DWIVEDI DESIRES LAWYER LAHOTY TO PROCEED TO PATNA AND 1) SEEK GUIDANCE FROM HER HUSBAND AS TO HANDLING OF FINANCES, 2) SECURE BEST POSSIBLE CONDITIONS FOR DWIVEDI, AND 3) REPORT BACK ON HIS SITUATION AND PROSPECTS FOR TRIAL.

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